

DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of Inv ntl n	PRODUCTION OF 5-METHYL-N-ARYL-2-PYRROLIDONE AND 5-METHYL-N-CYCLOALKYL-2-PYRROLIDONE BY REDUCTIVE AMINATION OF LEVULINIC ACID WITH ARYL AMINES
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- The attached application, or
- Application No. 10/396212, filed on March 24, 2003,
- as amended on _____ (if applicable);

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